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#### NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET AT-A-GLANCE



#### **DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS**

The market tone for whole body hens and toms was steady to barely steady. No sales reported. Inquiry limited with some interest noted for the Thanksgiving holiday materializing. Offerings remain more than sufficient for current needs. Bulk parts and meats demand light to moderate. Trading mixed, with most movement noted on 15-20% mechanically separated turkey.

#### **EXPORT MARKET HIGHLIGHTS**

Trading fairly good on frozen tom drums, thigh meat and full cut wings with the balance of items light. Demand remains active on drums, thigh meat and full cut wings while the balance of items slow.

<u>WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS</u>, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JANUARY 24, 2002** 

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8-16 LB HENS				` ,		()		` ,	
EASTERN REGION 3/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	59-60	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	57-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	56-57	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	57-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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WESTERN REGION 5/	57-59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

<sup>1/</sup> May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degress F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.
3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

<u>WEIGHTED AVERAGE PRICES FOR WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS</u>, FROZEN CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS)

WEEK OF JAN 25, 2001	CURRENT WEEK	LAST WEEK	SAME WEEK YEAR AGO
8-16 LB HENS			
EASTERN REGION	60.50**	60.50**	60.70**
CENTRAL REGION	59.50**	61.00	59.40**
WESTERN REGION	60.50**	60.50**	61.00**
16-24 LB TOMS EASTERN REGION	57.50**	57.50**	59.70**
CENTRAL REGION	56.63**	58.50	59.00**
WESTERN REGION	58.00**	58.00**	60.00**
**BASED ON OFFERS			

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## SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

DANGE

	IVAINGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	98
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	98
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	66-73
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	65-66
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	68-76

## SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	<u>RANGE</u>
TURKEYS Y HENS	119-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	119-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	105-119
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	105-119
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	105-119

FRESH TURKEYS WITH TIMERS OR EQUIVALENT U.S. GRADE A, DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, EASTERN REGION, CENTS PER POUND, WEEK OF 28-JAN-2002 (8-16#) (16-24#)

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	HENS	LBS	TOMS	LBS
	<b>PRICE</b>	(000)	<b>PRICE</b>	(000)
SALES (PROMOTIONS INCLUDED)	70.18	171	66.00	20
SALES (PROMOTIONS NOT INCLUDED	0)70.18	171	66.00	20
SALES (PROMOTIONS ONLY)				
SALES (PRICE TO BE DETERMINED)				

### **TURKEY MOVEMENT TREND**

(IN THOUSAND POUNDS)

SLAUGHTER-CERTIFIED RTC TURKEYS

DECEMBER 381,681\*
JANUARY 1-19, 2002 302,474\*

To date 2002 302,474\* To date 2001 291,098\*

### NUMBER OF TURKEYS SLTRD IN FEDERALLY INSP PLANTS

BY GEOGRAPHICAL AREAS WEEK ENDING 19-Jan-2002 (PRELIMINARY) (RELEASED 12:00 NOON CENTRAL TIME)

	YOUNG TURKEYS				TOTAL TURKEYS			
		PCT	AVG	OLD		AVG		
		CHG	LIVE	BANDE	D	LIVE		
-THOUSA	ND HEAD-	PW	WT	-THOUSA	ND HEAD-	WT		
N EAST	837	-7	23.57	(A)	839	23.57		
SATL	812	-6	32.06	(A)	814	32.06		
N CENT	1,847	-11	33.52	(A)	1,849	33.52		
S CENT	477	-7	24.96	(A)	479	24.96		
WEST	313	0	24.70	(A)	315	24.70		
U.S.TOTAL	4,286(B)	-8	29.71	10	4,296	29.71		
TO DATE								
2002	12,123(B)			12	12,135			
TO DATE								
2001	13,226(B)			48	13,274			
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- (A) Not published to avoid disclosing individual operations.
- (B) Number of young banded breeder turks included: this week 32,000; for the year 99,000; last year to date 80,000.

<u>LIVE TURKEYS SLA</u>	<u>UGHTER</u>	<u>ED</u>	WEEK E	NDING 19	-Jan-2002
•	YOUNG		YOUNG	OLD	TOTAL
	HENS	TOMS	BREE	DERS	
		THO	JSANDS-		
HEAD	1,660	2,594	32	10	4,296
AVG WT	16.31	38.28	29.15	35.99	29.71
LAST WEEK	1,840	2,790	34	2	4,666
SAME WK YR AGO	1,855	2,735	41	36	4,667
AVG WT	15.74	35.74	24.31	25.74	27.62
TO-DATE/2002	4,762	7,262	99	12	12,135
TO-DATE/2001	5,466	7,680	80	48	13,274

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<sup>\*</sup> PRELIMINARY

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 24 JANUARY 2002.

The trade sentiment on tom drums was steady to firm; tom 2-joint wings fully steady in the Midwest and East, steady to barely steady in the West; tom necks and tom full-cut wings were barely steady to instances weak. Domestic bulk parts demand was fair on tom drums, tom 2-joint wings slow to fair, full-cut wings light at best. Export demand was active on drums for China, Mexico and Russia; improved on tom full-cut wings and tails for Russia; slow on the balance of bulk parts. Improved activity was noted on frozen thigh meat for export for Mexico and Russia. Domestic trading was fair on frozen tom breast meat, balance slow. Export trading was heavy on frozen thigh meat and tom drums, balance light. For export: tom necks 23 and hen drums 27 cents delivered current, tom drums 29 and frozen thigh meat 68.50 cents delivered for January - December, 2002 contracts.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		W	99.00	200
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/	154.00	VV	154.00	200
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	134.00		154.00	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		W	27.50	20
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH	29.00	VV	29.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	26.50		26.50	40
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	20.00	W	27.00	160
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN	28.00		28.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	34.00-36.00		35.00	120
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	37.50-38.50		37.88	160
NECKS, TOM		W	26.50	20
NECKS, HEN				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	135.00		135.00	440
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	136.50		136.50	80
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT—FRESH				
BREAST TRIM MEAT		W	109.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		W	109.00	10
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	128.00-132.00		128.57	140
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		W	81.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	13.00		13.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	15.00		15.00	152
EXPORT TRADING				
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	26.00-31.75		27.91	940
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	26.00		26.00	160
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	20.00		20.00	100
TAILS	28.00		28.00	160
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	13.00-16.00		14.36	264
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	57.00-64.00		60.95	1,532

<sup>1/</sup> CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

<sup>2/</sup> Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

<sup>3/</sup> Boneless and skinless without tenderloins. 4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 25 JANUARY 2002.

Trade sentiment on tom breast meat was steady to instances weak, destrapped tenderloins steady to fully steady on fresh and mixed on frozen with some sellers more confident than others, and steady on the balance of white meat items. Demand was slow on fresh tom breast meat, improved on frozen with increased inquiry noted. The balance of white meat was light to fair. Domestic and export demand was light to fair on fresh 15-20% mechanically separated turkey, frozen slow. Export demand continued active on drums and thigh meat and improved interest was noted on full-cut wings and necks. For export: breeder drums 23, tom necks 24, and hen full-cut wings 26 cents delivered.

					WEEKLY	
DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE	LST	WTD		WTD	WEEKLY
	RANGE	CDE	AVG	VOLUME	AVG	VOLUME
		1/	PRICE	(000)	PRICE	(000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/	99.00		99.00	80	99.00	280
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A-FRE	SH 2/	R	154.00	20	154.00	20
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE	2/ 92.00		92.00	360	92.00	360
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	27.00		27.00	8	27.36	28
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		R	29.00	40	29.00	40
DRUMSTICKS, HEN	27.00		27.00	104	26.65	178
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	26.00-27.00		26.06	136	26.57	296
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN		R	28.00	40	28.00	60
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	34.00		34.00	8	34.94	128
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN	37.00		37.00	8	37.72	222
NECKS, TOM	23.00-25.00		23.67	96	24.39	142
NECKS, HEN						
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/	132.00		132.00	280	133.00	920
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	132.00-135.00		133.29	280	134.21	560
THIGH MEAT	62.00		62.00	20	62.00	20
THIGH MEAT—FRESH	63.00		63.00	37	63.00	37
BREAST TRIM MEAT	109.00		109.00	40	109.00	80
SCAPULA MEAT	108.00-109.00		108.18	49	108.32	59
TENDERLOINS	123.00		123.00	20	123.00	20
DESTRAPPED TENDERS	127.00-129.00		128.33	120	128.33	120
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		R	128.57	140	128.93	164
WING MEAT WITH SKIN	81.00		81.00	20	81.00	60
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	15.00		15.00	20	13.67	60
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRI	ESH 4/ 12.00-15.00		14.07	400	14.38	1,117
EXPORT TRADING						
DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	26.50-29.00		27.49	276	27.85	1,600
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	25.00-26.00		25.59	384	26.08	648
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	29.00		29.00	40	29.00	40
TAILS	28.00		28.00	20	28.00	180
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	12.00		12.00	104	13.70	368
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	59.00-63.00		60.26	588	60.96	2,328

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